

One of Jack's greatest contributions to our community is his medical device inventions. He and his wife, Carol, started companies that distributed life-saving medical devices. These medical devices have improved the quality of life for thousands of people around the world.

I extend my deepest congratulations to Jack for his outstanding contributions to the world of medicine and well-deserved recognition from the Jefferson County Business Community.

IN HONOR OF THE BULLHEAD
CITY BEE

HON. PAUL A. GOSAR

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 25, 2014

Mr. GOSAR. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of the Bullhead City Bee's 24th anniversary. The Bee was established on December 27, 1989 and serves the cities of Bullhead City, Arizona and Laughlin, Nevada. The co-founders of the newspaper include Hilda Gay Zimmer, Jim Dir, and Thom McGraham, the current publisher. Many Bullhead City-area residents turn to the Bee for their local news, making this an important community newspaper.

Congratulations to the Bullhead City Bee on 24 years of success. May they find continued success for years to come.

IN MEMORIAM OF SARALEE
MCCLELLAND KUNDE

HON. JARED HUFFMAN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 25, 2014

Mr. HUFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, we rise today in memory of Saralee McClelland Kunde, who passed away on January 26, 2014 after a long battle with cancer. In 1938, her parents, Robert and Lillian "Sweet Lil" McClelland purchased a milk route in Marin County and subsequently entered the dairy business, hand-milking 18 brown Swiss cows. Born in Marin Saralee hurled herself into the dairy operation and into 4-H, raising Holsteins and showing them at local fairs.

Revered as a superstar by others who work to promote the county's grapes, wines, milk and other bounty, and to preserve its ranch and farmlands, Kunde championed the Sonoma County Harvest Fair since its inception and was a key player in the Select Sonoma County marketing campaign and the Russian River Valley Winegrowers.

A generous philanthropist, Saralee rallied others to contribute to myriad Sonoma County causes, including the 4-H Center in Rohnert Park. Tireless and innovative, Kunde constantly enacted strategies to promote the Harvest Fair and the Sonoma County Fair, challenge and inspire youth involved in 4-H and Future Farmers of America, fortify cooperation among grape growers and other producers, and introduce the general public to the farm experience.

The depth of Saralee's commitment to agriculture in Sonoma County fueled many efforts to unite ranchers and farmers and to propel

their products into national markets. She was a formidable force in uniting the diverse and often conflicting members of the agricultural community.

Mr. Speaker, Saralee Kunde's vibrant life is proof positive that one woman can make a difference. The legacy she leaves will not soon be forgotten as much of her legacy lives on all around us in Sonoma County and beyond. It is therefore appropriate that we pay tribute to her today and honor her memory.

HONORING SCOTT PATTON

HON. SAM GRAVES

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 25, 2014

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Mr. Speaker, I proudly pause to recognize Scott Patton. Scott is a very special young man who has exemplified the finest qualities of citizenship and leadership by taking an active part in the Boy Scouts of America, Troop 314, and earning the most prestigious award of Eagle Scout.

Scott has been very active with his troop, participating in many scout activities. Over the many years Scott has been involved with scouting, he has not only earned numerous merit badges, but also the respect of his family, peers, and community. Most notably, Scott has contributed to his community through his Eagle Scout project.

Mr. Speaker, I proudly ask you to join me in commending Scott Patton for his accomplishments with the Boy Scouts of America and for his efforts put forth in achieving the highest distinction of Eagle Scout.

CONGRATULATING KENDALL
COYNE ON WINNING THE SILVER
MEDAL AS A MEMBER OF THE
U.S. WOMEN'S HOCKEY TEAM AT
THE XXII WINTER OLYMPICS IN
SOCHI, RUSSIA

HON. DANIEL LIPINSKI

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 25, 2014

Mr. LIPINSKI. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Ms. Kendall Coyne for competing and winning a silver medal as a member of the U.S. Women's Hockey Team at the Sochi 2014 Winter Olympics. I am very proud of Coyne's performance at the Olympic Games and honored to have her as a resident of Palos Heights, IL.

Born in Palos Heights, Illinois, Kendall Coyne from an early age dedicated her heart and soul to the sport she loves, hockey. When she was three years old, her mother tried to get her involved in figure skating, but Kendall would not have any part of it. Inspired by her older brother Kevin, Kendall laced up her hockey skates and played on boys' hockey teams until she joined the U-18 national team at the age of 15.

While other children her age would be playing with their friends or sleeping in on the weekends, Kendall would wake her parents up at six in the morning so that they could take her to the rink for practice. Not only is she a dedicated athlete, she is a full-time student.

After graduating from Carl Sandburg High School, in Orland Park, Illinois, she attended the Berkshire School in Sheffield, Massachusetts for their post-graduate program. After graduating from Berkshire, Kendall was awarded a scholarship to play women's hockey at Northeastern University. At Northeastern, Kendall is studying communications and hopes to one day become a sports analyst.

At just 21 years of age, Kendall Coyne has been a three-time world championship medalist, a participant in four Nations Cups, a three-time U18 world championship medalist, a two-time Hockey East First-Team All-Star selection, and a Hockey East Rookie of the Year among many other distinctions. During the XXII Olympics, she scored two goals and recorded four assists while helping her team reach the gold medal game.

At 5'2", Kendall Coyne is the shortest member of the U.S. women's national team. But what she might lack in height she makes up in dedication, perseverance, strength, agility, and drive. I am certain the tradition of success Kendall has established will continue for a long time to come.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing the tremendous accomplishments of Kendall Coyne and to congratulate her and the entire U.S. Women's Hockey Team for winning the silver medal at the XXII Winter Olympics in Sochi.

HONORING MARY SIMON

HON. ZOE LOFGREN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 25, 2014

Ms. LOFGREN. Mr. Speaker, I rise on behalf of myself and Representatives HONDA, ESHOO, and SPEIER to recognize the service of Ms. Mary Simon to San Jose and the Bay Area community.

Ms. Simon, the founder and executive director of Resource Area for Teaching (RAFT), will retire in the spring of 2014 after 20 years at its helm. She will greatly be missed.

After 12 years of teaching math and science to second and third graders, Ms. Simon founded RAFT in 1994 with a mission to help teachers transform children's learning experience through hands-on education. RAFT is a non-profit organization that provides educators with prepared teaching kits and idea sheets for activities in mathematics, science, and art. Additionally, RAFT helps teachers access education specialists who can assist with planning lessons and projects as well as locate affordable teaching supplies.

Ms. Simon's remarkable vision had been to create a place that celebrates and supports great teaching. Through her hard work, Ms. Simon was able to bring together countless volunteers, donors, and companies to collaborate in this effort. Under her leadership, thousands of teachers joined RAFT to improve the quality of education in the Bay Area.

Under Ms. Simon's guidance, RAFT became an important resource for educators and continues to foster community involvement. With Ms. Simon's effort and unwavering commitment, RAFT grew into a 10,000-member organization and continues to enrich the education experience of hundreds of thousands of students. RAFT's products, services, and